

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION!

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**Activity:** Quarterly Fire Chiefs' and Rescue Captains' Meeting

**Date:** June 24, 2010

**Organizations Represented:** Public Safety Administration  
Department 1/Rocky Mount Fire  
Company 3/Ferrum Fire  
Company 4/Glade Hill Fire  
Company 5/Callaway Fire  
Company 7/Boones Mill Fire  
Company 8/Fork Mountain Fire  
Company 9/Burnt Chimney Fire  
Company 10/Scruggs Fire  
Company 14/Henry Fire  
Squad 2/Franklin County Rescue  
Squad 3/Ferrum Rescue  
Squad 4/Glade Hill Rescue  
Squad 5/Callaway Rescue  
Squad 6/Snow Creek Rescue  
Squad 8/Fork Mountain Rescue  
Squad 10/Scruggs Rescue  
Franklin County Sheriff

**Organizations Not Represented:**

Company 6/Snow Creek Fire  
Company 11/Smith Mountain Lake Fire  
Company 12/Hardy Fire  
Company 13/Cool Branch Fire  
Squad 9/Red Valley Rescue  
Squad 11/Dive Team  
Squad 13/Cool Branch Rescue

**TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:** Please find below a summary of the topics that were discussed and relevant information regarding those topics. If you have any questions, please contact your Rescue Captain or Fire Chief for details.

- The meeting was called to order by Public Safety Director, Daryl Hatcher. Mr. Hatcher opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanking them for their attendance.
- Mr. Hatcher indicated that the final budget allocations for 2009/2010 would be mailed out the last week of June.
- Lucia Burnette, Communication Supervisors, provided information regarding protocols and procedures in the telecommunications office.

- It was discussed that the following changes from the State EMS office would be taking effect in October:
  - Each agency will be required to have a quality assurance program in writing. In the past, the Public Safety administrative office has handled Q/A for all the agencies, however, each agency as listed by the Virginia Department of Emergency Medical Services will need to have their own program.
  - Also, each agency is required to have mutual aid agreements on file.
- There was some discussion regarding the firehouse software. Timmy Law, Snow Creek Rescue Squad Captain, indicated that their agency was having numerous problems with the program. Mr. Hatcher instructed Billy Ferguson to get a few vendors to come in and do a demonstration on different types of programs of agencies to review.
- Mr. Hatcher also gave an update on the high band paging system. He indicated that each agency would be given a specific number of pagers based on the member information as processed through firehouse software. Each department was asked to notify public safety with the number of additional pagers each agency wanted to purchase from the lowest bid which will be accepted at the Board of Supervisor's regular meeting in July.
- There was some discussion about a capital improvement program to update SCBA on a yearly rotation basis. The administrative office will be generating a survey to obtain specific information from each department.

A question and comments session followed the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.